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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

Sir:

The following comments supplement the applicants' communication dated December 19, 2008 and are being filed responsive to the Office Communication dated February 26, 2009, which set a nominal response due date of March 26, 2009.

Specifically, applicants hereby elect the following single disclosed specie of HDAC inhibitor and retinoid:

HDAC inhibitor: 4-phenylbutyric acid (i.e., a compound according to claim 2 or 14 wherein R=hydrogen, and n=3); and

Retinoid: retinol (i.e., a retinoid of claim 4 or 16 wherein R⁶, R⁷, R⁸ and R⁹ = hydrogen and R¹⁰ =hydroxyl).

All pending claims appear to read on and are generic to the elected species. According an action on the merits of previously elected claims 1-22 is therefore awaited.

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Fee Authorization

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140.

Respectfully submitted,

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